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HAMBURG, GERMANY, JAN. 30 (AP)-HENRI NANNEN, CHIEF EDITOR OF THE MAGAZINE STERN, SAID TODAY SEN. ROBERT F. KENNEDY, D-N.Y., ACTED WITH "HECTIC CLUMSINESS" IN TRYING TO HAVE POLITICAL PASSAGES DELETED FROM THE SERIALIZATION OF THE BOOK "THE DEATH OF A PRESIDENT."

STERN IS PUBLISHING THE SERIALIZATION. IT ANNOUNCED ORIGINALLY THAT IT WOULD PUBLISH PORTIONS THAT LOOK MAGAZINE AGREED TO DELETE FROM ITS SERIALIZATION OF THE BOOK BY WILLIAM MANCHESTER. BUT NANNEN ANNOUNCED LAST WEEK HE WOULD EDIT OUT OF STERN'S VERSION MATERIAL WHICH MRS. JOHN F. KENNEDY HAD CONSIDERED TO BE OF A PERSONAL NATURE.

IN AN EDITORIAL IN THE CURRENT ISSUE OF STERN, NANNEN WROTE, HOWEVER, THAT HE PLANNED TO PUBLISH WHAT HE CALLED POLITICALLY AND HISTORICALLY INTERESTING PASSAGES THAT SEN. KENNEDY WANTED CUT OUT.

RECOUNTING THE STRUGGLE TO CHANGE THE TEXT, NANNEN ACCUSED SEN. KENNEDY OF "HECTIC CLUMSINESS, WHICH IS REMARKABLE SINCE IT DOES NOT CONFORM TO THE POLITICAL TYPE OF THIS OUTSTANDING FAMILY."

"DID HE REALLY BELIEVE HE COULD MANIPULATE FROM THE MANCHESTER REPORT THE WHOLE CLASH BETWEEN THE KENNEDY CLAN AND JOHNSON BACKERS, JUST SO THAT JOHNSON WOULD KEEP THE PRESIDENTIAL CHAIR WARM FOR HIM FOR ANOTHER FOUR YEARS?" NANNEN WROTE.

"HE MUST HAVE BELIEVED IT, SINCE HE DEMANDED THAT THE CHIEF EDITOR OF THE AMERICAN MAGAZINE LOOK LEAVE OUT A GOOD 7,000 WORDS. AND WHEN MY COLLEAGUE WILLIAM ATWOOD REFUSED TO APPROVE

AND WHEN MY COLLEAGUE WILLIAM ATTWOOD REFUSED TO APPROVE POLITICAL CUTS, HE DIDN'T EVEN GET A CHRISTMAS CARD FROM BOBBY KENNEDY ANY MORE. ANYONE WHO LIVES IN AMERICA KNOWS WHAT THAT MEANS--BILL ATTWOOD HAD BEEN AN OLD FRIEND OF THE FAMILY."

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NANNEN SAID THE CHANGES REQUESTED BY MRS. KENNEDY WERE TOUCHING AND UNDERSTANDABLE FEMININE BUT HE COULD NOT COMPLY WITH THEM ORIGINALLY BECAUSE THEY WERE COUPLED WITH THOSE OF SEN. KENNEDY.

STERN'S LATEST INSTALLMENT OF THE BOOK CLOSELY FOLLOWED THE TEXT ALREADY PUBLISHED BY LOOK MAGAZINE IN THE UNITED STATES AND CONTAINED NO ADDITIONAL MATERIAL. IT WAS THE FIRST PUBLISHED WITHOUT SOME DEPARTURE FROM THE LOOK TEXT.

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